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FROM THE
"LEFT"

Mr. "Boloney" Mahoney got his on Election Day when New York saw what "Restore Law and Order -- Defeat 'Communist' domination" means. This week, City College was swamped with more tripe serving the same purpose but this time, ranting--"Down with Law and Order-Defeat 'Communist' domination."

What is the occasion for this barrage, this Trotskyite truck? It's unfortunate that only a few student leaders saw clearly during the past week what these wharf-rats aim to do. These few student leaders have seen that what the Fourth Internationalist sect and its satellites are attacking is not the Y.C.L., but united action of the students whom they classify as the "un-proletarian swamp." Those who joined with Tammany in fighting the ALP, have mastered Mahoney's red-baiting tactics. Their maneuvers should be made clear:

1. An arrangements conference was packed and disrupted by every Trotskyite on the campus.
2. The Trotskyites declared the 24-6 repudiation of this "Committee" by the Student Council, to be illegal! They then denounced the Student Council committee consisting of Student Council American Student Union, Young Men's Christian Association, and a senior class member, as being unrepresentative and "communist".
3. By threats of counter-demonstrations, these "democracy-lovers" were momentarily able to bludgeon this "communist" committee to adopt most of its proposals (!) These included having Max Shactman, notorious for his hatred of the Spanish Loyalist Government and of labor unity, as a speaker. And even more, they wanted exclusion of the Spanish and Chinese representatives.
4. An American Student Union executive committee meeting, at which the Student Council Committee was present, asked that the Peace Assembly base its actions on: 1. Concrete aid to China and Spain, 2. Education on the present war danger. The Student Council Committee heartily endorsing this, invited speakers from the Spanish and Chinese consulates and from organized labor, repudiating their admittedly ill-advised invitation to Shactman.
5. The clique immediately called for a counter-meeting because they did not like this type of meeting.

Why should they? Such a meeting means the building of a united student movement based on a minimum program for concrete action. Instead they want to use every big organization as a forum for their own views. The Young Communist League, as a progressive campus organization does not propose to exploit the student movement for its own views. Our excellent publications and big meetings adequately present our ideas. As a matter of fact, you're invited to hear them at a meeting at which RUTH WATT will speak tonight, 8 P.M., at 108 East 14 Street.